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Transportation of Material

These two sections of the MSA address the protection of equipment operators and other personnel seated in equipment from hazards created by shifting loads being hauled. The mine inspector should determine, on a case by case basis, if the mobile equipment is designed to safely carry such material and supplies. For example, if the material being hauled is on top of a battery-powered scoop, the inspector should consider the safety of the operator in the deck should the material shift or be dislodged. Where personnel are being transported, only small hand tools and supplies, which do not create hazards, are to be transported in the same compartment of the equipment.

The size of materials being transported, the method by which materials are secured and the protection afforded operators and other personnel on the equipment should be considered. Also, certain equipment, because of design, is not capable of transporting bulk type materials since the position of loads and the operator will always present hazardous conditions.